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Title page, showing an illustrative figure, should be deleted and substitute therefor the attached page.

Delete drawing sheet 1-2 and substitute therefor the Drawing Sheets consisting of Fig. 108 as shown on the attached pages.

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(54) **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SUPPORTING A CIRCUIT COMPONENT HAVING SOLDER COLUMN INTERCONNECTS USING EXTERNAL SUPPORT**

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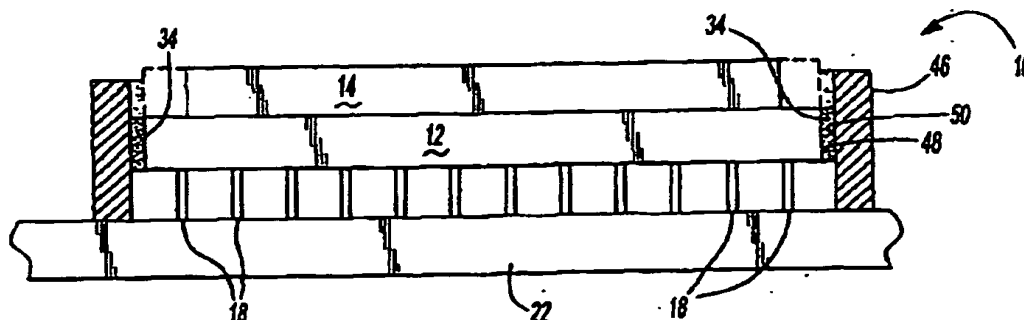
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ABSTRACT

A circuit board assembly having a circuit board and a column grid array ("CGA") integrated circuit package. The CGA package has a substrate having an array of solder columns extending from a bottom surface. A frame surrounds the CGA integrated circuit package and is affixed thereto. The frame extends from the substrate to a portion of the circuit board when the column grid array integrated circuit package is mounted on the circuit board to support the column grid array integrated circuit package. The frame is affixed to the CGA integrated circuit package by adhesive after the CGA integrated circuit package is mounted on the circuit board, the adhesive accommodating any variations in height of the CGA integrated circuit package.

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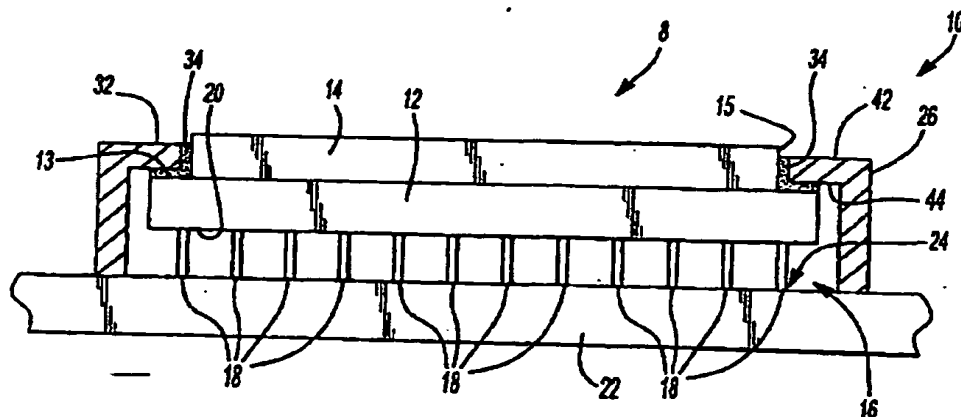


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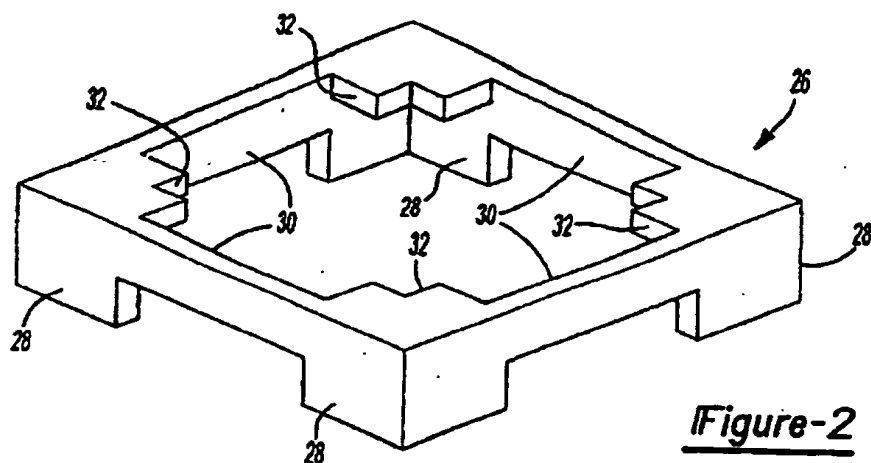


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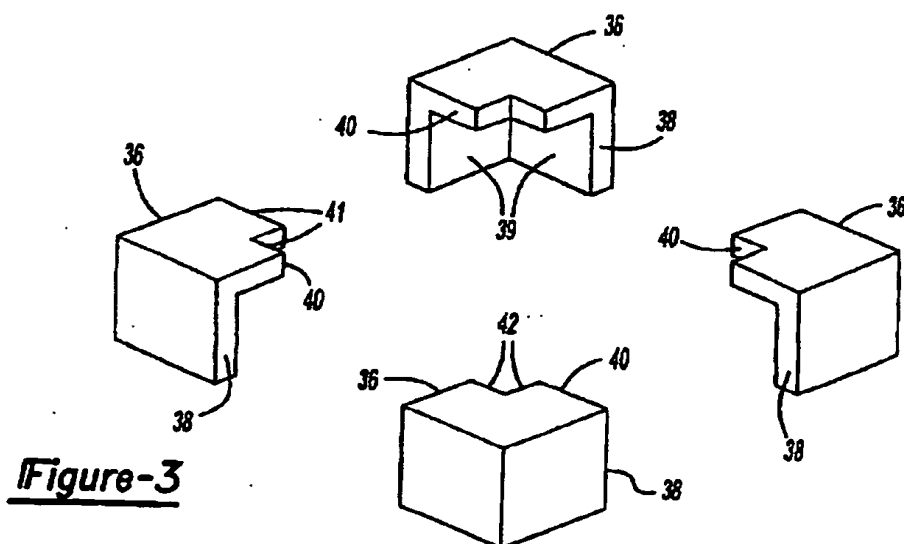


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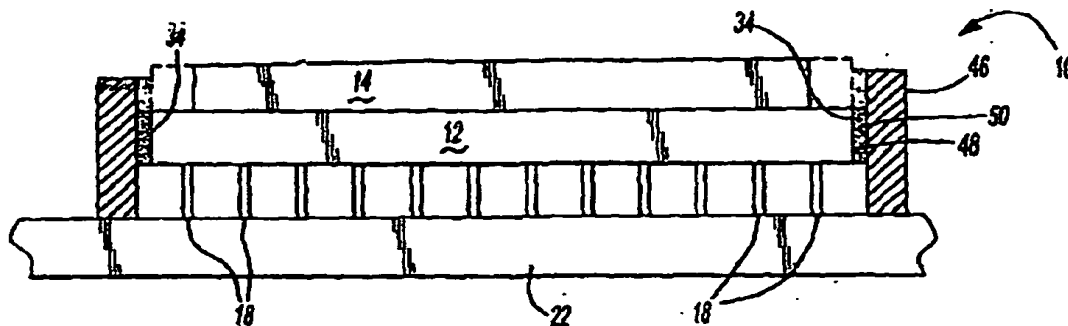


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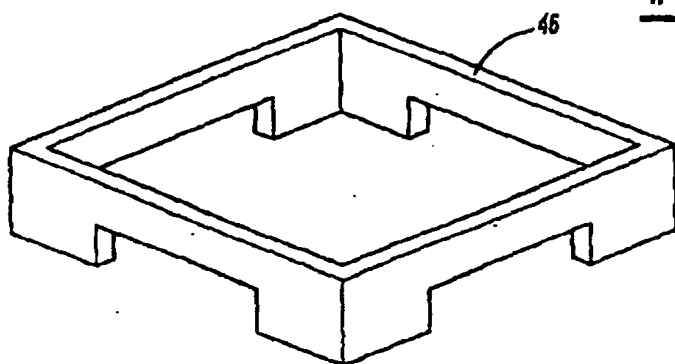


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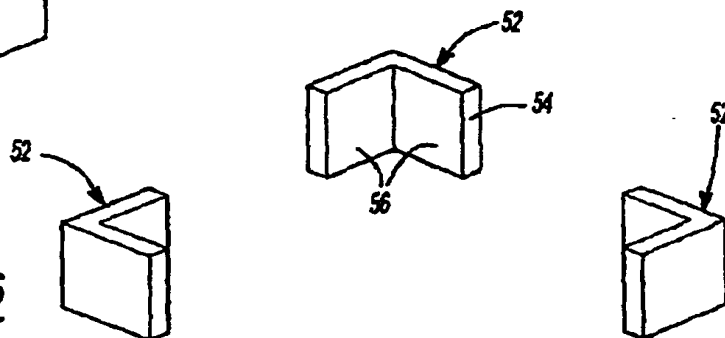


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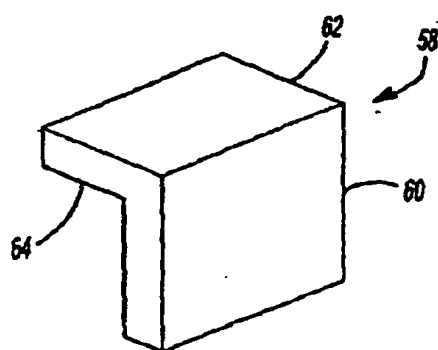


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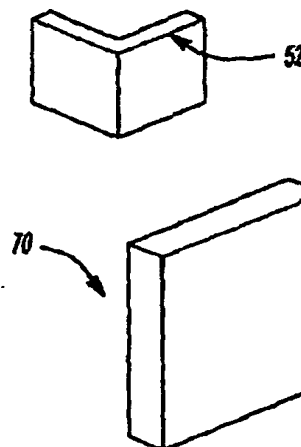


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